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Call for Proposals to Design And Build Gateway in Broadview Neighborhood

Bloomington, In. - The Broadview Neighborhood Association, in collaboration with the City's Economic & Sustainable Development Department, is issuing a call for proposals for a gateway installation in the Broadview neighborhood.

With funding from both the Community Development Block grant program and the Neighborhood Improvement grant program, the City of Bloomington and the Monroe County Community School Corporation are coordinating the installation of a new sidewalk/path in the Broadview Neighborhood. The path will connect the existing playground south of the Broadview Learning Center to Coolidge Avenue, along the east side of the center and the adjoining green space.

The project calls for a welcoming entrance/gateway on its Coolidge Avenue connection. Project planners, including neighborhood residents, have imagined an arch, pillar, terrace for seating, or environmental feature such as a rain garden.

Local artists, landscape architects, and designers are encouraged to submit proposals for the project. The artist/designer selected will provide leadership and service to the project, while fully engaging neighborhood residents in the design of and approach to the gateway and, where needed, in its fabrication/installation. The artist/designer -- who should have experience engaging in collaborative and community-led projects -- will work closely with a facilitator experienced in community participation to design and implement a participation plan.

Stipend:

The artist/designer will receive \$8,000 to cover all artist fees, materials, and equipment purchases required to complete the gateway project. Payment will be made to the artist/designer upon completion of the project.

The proposal should include the following elements:

- Full name
- Address
- Telephone number
- Email address
- An artist's statement describing experience and interest in the project
- A description of the proposed work and its conceptual content
- A description of the artist's experience with a community-driven process
- Illustrations of the proposed gateway design. Submissions must contain one to five sketches or digital renderings of the proposed project. These are not final renderings, as public participation will expand the original concept.

The proposal should be accompanied by the following elements:

- Five to 10 images of previous work
- Resume, no longer than two pages

Files should be submitted in .pdf/.jpeg format and will be acknowledged upon receipt.

Selection:

The artist/designer will be selected by a panel consisting of members from the Broadview Neighborhood Association, members of the Bloomington Arts Commission, and City staff.

Submissions must be received by 5:00 p.m. on June 15th. Artists/designers will be notified about the selection by June 29th. Send electronic submissions to starowis@bloomington.in.gov with subject line stating **RFQ - Broadview**.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to attend a neighborhood clean-up and workshop on June 9th from 8 AM - 12 PM for an opportunity to meet the neighborhood's residents and see the potential project site. More information about the event is available by email, at broadviewneighborhoodassoc@gmail.com.

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